



ClientUpdate

September 2020

DRIVE-THRU DISTRIBUTIONS MON-FRI 10 A.M. TO 1 P.M. AND TUESDAYS 4 TO 6 P.M.

OFFICE HOURS: 9 A.M. TO 3 P.M. — WE ARE NOT CURRENTLY OPEN TO VISITORS.

2020 ELECTION: Get ready to VOTE

One of the most powerful ways to protect the social programs and services that help those in need, and to encourage the implementation of more, is to VOTE.

STEP 1: REGISTER TO VOTE

If you haven't already registered, Nebraska allows online voter registration. **If you plan to vote with a mail-in ballot, make sure election officials have your most up-to-date address.**

Visit <https://www.nebraska.gov/apps-sos-voter-registration> to register to vote, change the address on your voter registration, and/or affiliate with a political party. The **deadline to go online and register to vote is Friday, Oct. 16, 2020** at the end of business.

STEP 2: PLAN YOUR VOTE

Are you hoping to vote in-person or by mail?

If you're voting **in-person**, get the details of your polling place at <https://www.votercheck.necvr.ne.gov/voterview>

If you're hoping to vote **by mail**, request an early voting ballot at <https://sos.nebraska.gov/elections/early-voting-0>

Early voting ballots can be requested through Oct. 23, 2020. If you need assistance requesting an early voting ballot, contact Salim at 402.476.4357 x105 or email smerza@cfpin.org.

STEP 3: VOTE

In-person on Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020 before polls close at 8 p.m. OR

Early voting ballots will begin being mailed to voters on Sept. 28th - complete your ballot as soon as possible to ensure your vote is counted.

Early voting ballots must be RECEIVED by election officials by 8 p.m. on Election Day (Nov. 3, 2020). If you're mailing your ballot, leave plenty of time for it to be processed by the US Postal Service and still arrive at the election office before the deadline! You can also drop off your ballot at the Election Commissioner's office at 601 N. 46th Street or at a dropbox in your local branch of Lincoln City Libraries.

Medicaid healthcare coverage expansion

Heritage Health Adult expands Nebraska Medicaid and will cover Nebraska residents, ages 19 through 64, whose income is at or below 138 percent of the federal poverty level. For 2020, this is an annual income of \$17,609 for a single person and \$36,156 for a household of four. Applications are being accepted now with coverage beginning Oct. 1st. To apply, go online to accessnebraska.ne.gov or call 402.473.7000.

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WEATHER

DELAYS AND CLOSURES

The Center may delay or close its distribution in severe weather (including thunderstorms, high winds, heavy rain, etc.). Please keep an eye on our social media or cfpin.org for any last-minute updates!

FREE COVID-19

LEGAL HELP

Legal Aid of Nebraska has a free legal help hotline available for Nebraskans affected by COVID-19. Call 1.844.268.5627 Monday-Thursday 9a-12p and 1-3p and Fridays 9a-12p, or visit legallaidofnebraska.org.

BE COUNTED: the 2020 Census

Being counted in the census is another powerful tool to ensure the programs and services that help those in need are maintained.

The census provides the government with a population count, which they will use for the next 10 years to determine where to send billions of dollars in federal funding that support programs like Medicaid/Medicare, SNAP, WIC, Head Start, school lunch programs, infrastructure like roads/highways, student loans, language services in schools and so much more.

For the first time, you can complete the census, in any of 59 languages, online at www.2020census.gov. Or you can call: 844.330.2020 for English, 844.416.2020 for Arabic, 844.461.2020 for Vietnamese, 844.391.2020 for Mandarin, 844.398.2020 for Cantonese, or 844.468.2020 for Spanish.

The survey is only 10 questions and should only take minutes to complete. The census will end early on Sept. 30. So get counted today!

Drive-Thru Career Fair & Employment Opportunities

The Center, EmployLNK, Gateway Mall, and Lincoln Partnership for Economic Development are hosting a drive-thru career fair on **Thursday, Sept. 10 from 2 to 6 p.m. in the Sears parking lot at Gateway Mall.** Receive a bag filled with job information from Lincoln companies that are hiring now without even leaving your car!

Nebraska employers are hiring! To view open jobs, visit lcc.com/job-postings or NEworks.nebraska.gov.

For one-on-one coaching and career planning, resume building, interview preparation, and assistance with utilizing NEworks.nebraska.gov to connect with potential employers, email NDOL.NEres@nebraska.gov and include your location (ie: Lincoln, NE).

SNAP and WIC food programs

If you're having trouble making ends meet, consider applying for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as food stamps). To see if you're eligible, contact Salim at 402.476.4357 x105.

WIC is a special nutrition program specifically for pregnant and breastfeeding women and families with children younger than 5 years old. For more information, visit dhhs.ne.gov/pages/wic-about.aspx or call Family Service WIC (remote services through September) at 402.441.8655 or Lincoln Lancaster County WIC at 402.441.8000.

Help coping during a pandemic

The Nebraska Strong Recovery Project is an outreach program working with public and private partnerships to provide community-based counseling and identify unmet needs in Nebraska during the pandemic. Call 800.464.0258 or 888.866.8660 for immediate needs, constructive assistance, public information, connections to social supports, and physical/emotional support.

For more info, connect on Facebook @NebraskaStrongRecoveryProject or on Twitter at @NebraskaStrong.

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If you need more than food and diapers, visit covid19.lincoln.ne.gov and click "Resident Resources" for a list of other available services.

DATES TO REMEMBER

**Thursday, Sept. 10
2-6 p.m.**

Drive-Thru Career Fair at Gateway Mall

Sept. 21-27

National Diaper Need Awareness Week

Wednesday, Sept. 30
2020 Census ends

Friday, Oct. 16

Last day to go online and register to vote

Friday, Oct. 23

Last day to request an early voting ballot

Tuesday, Nov. 3

Election Day

PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY

If you are displaying symptoms of illness or have potentially been exposed to COVID-19, **please stay home and DO NOT ATTEND DISTRIBUTION.** Our drive-thru reduces contact, but attending still puts our staff and community at risk. Instead, call us at 402.476.4357 and we will attempt to connect you with services for people at home, in isolation.

Wear a mask even if you aren't displaying symptoms. Mask-wearing is a proven, effective way of reducing the spread of COVID-19.